

**COUNTY OF YORK
DIVISION OF PARKS & RECREATION
ADULT PROGRAM REGULATIONS**

ARTICLE I - General Management.

General Management shall be under the Division of Parks & Recreation of the County of York who shall conduct and control all league rules and regulations. All fees, dates, and deadlines are listed in Appendix A of these regulations

ARTICLE II - Purposes.

1. To promote adult recreational programs for York County and the surrounding areas.
2. To promote good citizenship, sportsmanship, and good fellowship among participants.

ARTICLE III - Membership.

1. A minimum of four (4) teams must be registered in a division in order for it to be held. The maximum teams allowed in each division will be determined by the budget appropriation and facility availability.
2. If there are not enough teams in one division, those teams will have the option to play in another league if an appropriate league is available.
3. A **NON-REFUNDABLE** entrance fee for each team is due at the time of registration. Partial fees will not be accepted. NOTE: If the league does not meet "minimum number of teams" requirement, entrance fees will be refunded. **This is the only exception to the non-refundable rule.**
4. Registration and entrance fees must be **delivered in person** to the Division of Parks and Recreation office, 100 County Drive, Grafton. Office hours are 8:15 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Monday - Friday. **Absolutely no registrations will be accepted on the telephone or by mail.**
5. Team rosters must be turned in to the Division of Parks & Recreation in person and will not be accepted on the telephone or by mail.
6. Teams may add, delete, or change players to their rosters in order to reach the player limit. However, players may not switch rosters at any time during the season. The first team a player legally plays for shall be that player's permanent team for the entire season.

ARTICLE IV - PLAYER ELIGIBILITY.

1. Players must be at least 18 years old on or before the first regular season game in order to participate in this league. Any exceptions to this age limit are listed in the individual program by-laws.
2. Each player must personally sign a roster form prior to playing in any game. Coaches are responsible for assuring all players personally sign a roster form and turn roster forms

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into Division of Parks and Recreation by the program roster deadline. No coach may sign for a player in this regard.

3. Protest of player eligibility must be submitted in writing to the Division of Parks & Recreation within the next business day or 24 hours of said game with any proof of claim.
4. The Division of Parks & Recreation has the right to ask any person for identification if their eligibility is questioned.
5. Team coaches will be held responsible for only playing eligible players. Detection of an ineligible player participating during games shall result in those games being forfeited.
6. Team coaches will be held responsible for communicating all correspondence from Parks & Recreation to their players.

ARTICLE V – Awards, Tournaments, and Forfeits.

1. Awards.

- a. Team awards will be given to the first and second place teams of both regular season and tournament play. Individual awards will also be given for all members of the first and second place teams for the post-season tournament.
- b. If there is a tie for first or second place, determination will be made by the won/loss record in head to head competition. If a tie still exists, a playoff game will be held.
- c. All other positions in the tournament will be determined by final standings of regular season play. In the event of a tie, won/loss records in head-to-head competition will determine position. If a tie still exists, the team allowing fewest points scored against them during cumulative regular season will determine tournament position. Forfeited games will not be used to determine this average.
- d. If player eligibility is in question, NO trophies will be awarded until the dispute is settled.

2. Tournaments.

- a. All team will participate in a post season tournament unless they forfeit out of the regular season or do not meet the guidelines in the by-laws for the specific program.

3. Forfeits.

- a. Game time is forfeit time.
- b. If the previous game runs past the scheduled game time, the subsequent game will

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start 5 minutes after its completion. However, teams must have enough players to begin the game at the scheduled starting time.

- c. Participation by an ineligible player will result in that game(s) being forfeited if protested by the opposing team(s).
- d. Teams not in uniform by the uniform deadline must forfeit the game.
- e. Teams that forfeit out of the regular season, because of lack of eligible players or uniforms will automatically be dropped from the league and will not be eligible to register as a returning team in the future. Specific limits are in the by-laws for each program.

ARTICLE VI - General Conduct.

- 1. It is up to the coaches to maintain proper conduct among their teams at all times.
- 2. Unruly behavior or profane language by fans, players, or spectators will not be tolerated. A warning to any player also constitutes a warning to the entire team.
- 3. Supervisors hired by the Division of Parks & Recreation have the authority to discharge any person who behaves unfavorably from the facility. If a person has been discharged from a facility by the staff supervisors they must physically leave the facility.
- 4. Any player in the possession of alcohol on the site is subject to immediate suspension from the league for the remainder of the season.

ARTICLE VII - Unsportsmanlike Conduct.

- 1. Any player ejected from a game by an official or supervisor for unsportsmanlike conduct will automatically be suspended from the next scheduled league game to be played by his team. No notification of suspension will be given. Deviation from a suspension ruling will result in a forfeit.
- 2. Any player ejected from the game by an official or supervisor for *fighting or similar action shall automatically be suspended from the league for the entire season.* No notice of this suspension shall be necessary. In the event a player deviates from this ruling, it will constitute a forfeit and the team not at fault will receive credit for a win. This also includes striking or intimidating an official or any staff member in any manner during or after a game.
- 3. Any player guilty of unsportsmanlike conduct at the site or parking lot, toward an official, staff member, player, or spectator, will be subject to suspension from the league by the Division of Parks & Recreation.

ARTICLE VIII - Liability.

It is understood that all participants in this league do release any person or group connected

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with the team, league or Division of Parks & Recreation for all liabilities sustained from any and all injuries by the participants while playing, practicing or traveling to and from games.

ARTICLE IX - Communicable Disease and Injury Procedures.

While risk of one athlete infecting another with HIV/AIDS during competition is close to non-existent, there is a remote risk that other blood borne infectious diseases can be transmitted. For example, Hepatitis B can be present in blood as well as in other body fluids. Procedures for reducing the potential for transmission of these infectious agents should include, but not be limited to, the following:

1. The bleeding must be stopped, the open wound covered and if there is an excessive amount of blood on the uniform it must be changed before the athlete may participate.
2. Routine use of gloves or other precautions to prevent skin and mucous-membrane exposure when contact with blood or other body fluids is anticipated.
3. Immediately wash hands and other skin surfaces if contaminated (in contact) with blood or other body fluids. Wash hands immediately after removing gloves.
4. Clean all contaminated surfaces and equipment with an appropriate disinfectant before competition resumes.
5. Practice proper disposal procedures to prevent injuries caused by needles, scalpels and other sharp instruments or devices.
6. Although saliva has not been implicated in HIV transmission, to minimize the need for emergency mouth-to-mouth resuscitation, mouthpieces, resuscitation bags, or other ventilation devices should be available for use.
7. Athletic trainers/coaches with bleeding or oozing skin conditions should refrain from all direct athletic care until the condition resolves.
8. Contaminated towels should be properly disposed of/disinfected.
9. Follow acceptable guidelines in the immediate control of bleeding and when handling bloody dressings, mouthguards and other articles containing body fluids.